

INFORMATION REPORT

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FOR: The Commissioners

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SUBJECT: WEEKLY INFORMATION REPORT – WEEK ENDING
OCTOBER 4, 2019

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Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO)
Items of Interest
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ARRIVALS		
NONE		
RETIREMENTS		
RICH, THOMAS W	DIRECTOR, IT SERVICES DEVEL & OPS DIV	OCIO
JEFFERSON, STEVEN P	DEPUTY DIRECTOR	OI
HARRIS, NICHOLAS J	IT SPECIALIST	OCIO
CLAYTON, BEVERLY A	LICENSING ASSISTANT	NRR
BROWN, FREDERICK D	DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF NEW REACTORS	NRO
DEPARTURES		
NONE		

**Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO)
Items of Interest
Week Ending OCTOBER 4, 2019**

**Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests and Appeals Received
During the Period of September 30 – October 4, as submitted by requester**

Tracking Number	Requester's Name	Requester's Organization	Request Description	Received Date
2019-000436	Dr. Kevan C. Crawford		Documents in the NRC docket for the non-power reactor licensee at Idaho State University, as specified.	09/30/2019
2019-000438	Diane Curran	Harmon, Curran, Speilberg & Eisenberg LLP	Appeal the lack of response to NRC-2018-000831, which requested access to and copies of records generated or received by NRC relating to past, existing, or proposed harvesting of aged materials from operating nuclear reactors and decommissioning or decommissioned nuclear reactors.	09/30/2019
2019-000439	Brent Wells	Simmons Hanly Conroy	Information on GE Aviation Facilities located at 1 Neumann Way, Cincinnati, OH 45215 and 1200 Jaybird Rd, Peebles OH 45660. We request information for the following categories: NRC Permits, License, Inspection data and/or monitoring data, and inspections reports or notices of violations. We request these on both of the GE Aviation facilities.	09/30/2019
2019-000440	Ann M. Hurley	McDonald Toole Wiggins, P.A.	Any and all investigations, inspections, complaints, witness statements, reports, fines levied, photos, video, audio, or any information or public document in your possession regarding the incident of named individual at the Florida Power & Light	09/30/2019

			St. Lucie Nuclear Power Plant, and any and all records of contact with named individual.	
2019-000441	Charles Langley	Public Watchdogs	Please provide the Current Licensing Basis (CLB) for San Onofre Units #1, #2 and #3 as defined in § 54.3 Definitions. Please provide electronic copies or their location in ADAMS by ML number.	09/30/2019
2019-000442	Dr. Margaret E. Halloran	CISA	Am curious, there are people getting cyber pay for administration of program to give out cyber pay. Yet, I have GS13 who works full time on IT systems, hardworking, and doesn't get cyber pay. What are the parameters?	09/30/2019
2020-000001	Sarah Akerson		Documents and records regarding the selection and recruitment of the current Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel Administrative Law Judges (ALJs). Per NRC Management Directive on Administrative Judge and Compensation and Staffing, MD 10.153, please provide documents that include the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The role of the Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO) in the selection and recruitment of the current NRC ALJs. o The role of the Chief ALJ, or his designee, in the selection and recruitment of the current NRC ALJs. o Whether the announcements for the legal and technical administrative NRC ALJs positions currently filled were issued separately, or 	10/01/2019

			<p>whether they were combined.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The interview and evaluation process of each current NRC ALJ. o The register presented by the Administrative Judge Review Committee (AJRC) to the Commission for each current ALJ that shows who the contending ALJs were during the selection process (a minimum of two candidates per position is required). o The role of the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) in determining the financial holdings and the potential conflicts of interest of each ALJ, prior to final selection. o A short summary of the recruiting process, the recruiting sources, the number of applicants, and the number of qualified applicants presented to the Commission. o The date that each current NRC ALJ was selected/appointed. o The term of each NRC ALJ. o The part-time or full-time status us each NRC ALJ. 	
2020-000002	Samantha Gross	Miami Herald	Access to and copies of Florida Power & Light Letter (01-17-2019) EA-18-066.	10/01/2019
2020-000003	Bobby Vaughn, Jr.		The original certificate of compliance document(s), memoranda, and e-mails pertaining to the NRC issuing the initial certification decision for uranium enrichment plants in Paducah, KY and Piketon, OH (USEC). These original documents/certification were approved approximately around the dates of November 16th,	10/01/2019

			1996 - November 27th, 1996.	
2020-000004	Sarah Akerson		Does the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) have any programs, policies, or subcommittees in place similar to the Department of Energy's (DOE's) Differing Professional Opinions? If so, please provide the following information: The names of any and all such NRC programs, policies or subcommittees, and all documents pertaining to such programs, policies and subcommittees, as specified.	10/02/2019
2020-000005	Liam J. Paskvan	Massachusetts Office of Attorney General	All records created between January 1, 1995, and October 3, 2019, pertaining to the Master Decommissioning Trust Agreement governing Pilgrim's decommissioning trust fund, entered into on or about January 1, 1995, between Boston Edison Company and Mellon Bank, N.A.; all amended versions of the Agreement, including Amendment No. 3; and notices submitted to the NRC under Pilgrim's Renewed Licenses DPR-35 condition J(5)(b) regarding any amendment to the Agreement from the date it was created through October 3, 2019, and the NRC's response(s), if any, to those notices.	10/03/2019
2020-000006	Thomas Devine	Government Accountability Project	All documents and communications, for the time period of January 20, 2017 to the present, regarding civil nuclear cooperation with Middle Eastern countries, most notably Saudi Arabia; the "Middle East Marshall	10/04/2019

			<p>Plan"; Negotiation of a U.S. Saudi "123" Civil Nuclear Cooperation Agreement; documents, briefings, correspondence, and/or telephone conversations regarding the "International Peace Power and Prosperity" (IP3 Corporation) and its proposal for nuclear and cyber cooperation with various Middle Eastern countries, to include Saudi Arabia; and documents and deliberations regarding Westinghouse, to include its March 2017 bankruptcy and the U.S. Government's subsequent policy response.</p>	
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
Items of Interest
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Public Meeting to Discuss Planned Revision to Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.200, "An Approach for Determining the Technical Adequacy of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Results for Risk-Informed Activities"

On September 27, 2019, the staff held a public meeting with representatives from the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), and PWR Owners Group (PWROG) to continue discussions on planned revision to Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.200, "An Approach for Determining the Technical Adequacy of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Results for Risk-Informed Activities." Among other things, this planned revision to RG 1.200 will endorse NEI 17-07 (a revision to the industry peer-review process) and review requirements for Probabilistic Risk Assessment methods that PWROG has developed. Staff is developing plans to complete this update in fiscal year 2020.

Public Meeting to Discuss Status of Reactor Oversight Process

On September 25, 2019, the staff held a public meeting with the industry's Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) Task Force to discuss the status of ROP topics. Discussion topics included Significance Determination Process (SDP) updates; the Nuclear Energy Institute's (NEI's) request for changes to the SDP appeal process (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML19261A190 and ML19263D136); updates on Phase 2 activities for the ROP enhancement project, with a presentation focused on cross-cutting issues ADAMS Accession Nos. ML19263G162 and ML19266A601); and a detailed discussion on the staff's review of problem identification and resolution inspection. The staff also discussed a white paper submitted by NEI on counting drill exercise performance (ADAMS Accession No. ML19266A321). The meeting, which was advertised on social media, was well attended by representatives from various State Liaison Offices and members of the public, who were active participants in the meeting topics. The next monthly public meeting between the staff and the ROP Task Force is tentatively scheduled for October 23, 2019.

Staff Completed Its Revision of IMC 0326, "Operability Determinations"

On September 30, 2019, the staff completed its revision of IMC 0326, "Operability Determinations," which was implemented on October 1, 2019. This enhanced inspector guidance is the result of a year-long effort by the agencywide working group, which will be conducting roll-out training to all four regions during the month of October.

Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
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State of Vermont: Discontinuance of Certain Commission Regulatory Authority Within the State; Notice of Agreement Between the NRC and the State of Vermont; Final State Agreement (NRC-2019-0114)

On September 30, 2019, the NRC published in the *Federal Register* (84 FR 29811) a notice announcing that on September 9, 2019, Kristine L. Svinicki, Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and on September 13, 2019, Governor Philip B. Scott of the State of Vermont, signed an Agreement as authorized by Section 274b of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended. Under the Agreement, the Commission discontinues its regulatory authority, and the State of Vermont assumes regulatory authority over 11e(1), 11e(3), and 11e(4) byproduct materials, source materials, and special nuclear materials in quantities not sufficient to form a critical mass. The effective date of the Agreement is September 30, 2019.

List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Holtec International HI-STORM 100 Multipurpose Canister Cask System, Certificate of Compliance No. 1014, Amendment No. 14; Direct Final Rule; 10 CFR Part 72 [RIN 3150-AK36; NRC-2019-0160]

On October 3, 2019, the NRC published a direct final rule in the *Federal Register* (84 FR 52747) amending its spent fuel storage regulations by revising the Holtec International HI-STORM 100 Multipurpose Canister System listing within the "List of approved spent fuel storage casks" to include Amendment No. 14 to Certificate of Compliance No. 1014. Amendment No. 14 revises the technical specifications and makes other administrative changes. A companion proposed rule was also published in the *Federal Register* on May 15, 2019 (84 FR 21728). The direct final rule will become effective on December 17, 2019, unless significant adverse comments are received.

**Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date of Document	Subject
Decision Documents		
1. SECY-19-0085	08/29/19	Section 274b Agreement with the State of Vermont
2. Staff Requirements Memorandum SECY-19-0085	09/06/19	Section 274b Agreement with the State of Vermont
3. Commission Voting Record SECY-19-0085	09/06/19	Section 274b Agreement with the State of Vermont
4. SECY-19-0088	09/16/19	Evaluation of Thresholds for Reporting Abnormal Occurrences In Response to SRM-M190423
5. SECY-18-0003	01/10/18	Discontinuation of Rulemaking Activity and Denial of Petition for Rulemaking - Requirement to Submit Complete and Accurate Information (Docket No. PRM-50-107; NRC-2013-0077)
6. Staff Requirements Memorandum SECY-18-0003	08/06/19	Discontinuation of Rulemaking Activity and Denial of Petition for Rulemaking - Requirement to Submit Complete and Accurate Information (Docket No. PRM-50-107; NRC-2013-0077)
7. Commission Voting Record SECY-18-0003	08/06/19	Discontinuation of Rulemaking Activity and Denial of Petition for Rulemaking - Requirement to Submit Complete and Accurate Information (Docket No. PRM-50-107; NRC-2013-0077)
Information Papers		
1. SECY-19-0091	09/26/19	Weekly Information Report - Week Ending September 20, 2019
2. SECY-19-0089	09/16/19	Annual Report of Committee to Review Generic Requirements Review Activities

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to the Honorable Frank Pallone, Jr., et al, submits the August 2019, monthly status report on the NRC's activities and use of unobligated carryover funds appropriated from the Nuclear Waste Fund, dated September 23, 2019.

Office of Enforcement (OE)
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On January 31, 2019, the Regional Administrator (RA) for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Region IV office issued a formal decision on a Differing Professional Opinion (DPO) submitted on February 5, 2018, involving a supplemental inspection conducted by NRC Region IV inspectors at the Columbia Generating Station (CGS). This inspection was chartered to review the licensee's root cause and corrective actions stemming from a radioactive waste shipping incident a year earlier. The DPO stated that the results of the supplemental inspection were not supported by the information documented in the associated NRC inspection report, the NRC inappropriately closed the finding in the Public Radiation Safety cornerstone and a potential violation 10 CFR 50.5 might exist. On June 28, 2018, an Ad Hoc Panel (Panel) provided the results of its independent review of the DPO to the Region IV RA. The RA directed the staff to amend the CGS supplemental inspection report to add supplementary information that provided a more robust explanation of the basis for the staff's conclusion. The RA further agreed with the Panel that there was insufficient evidence to support a 10 CFR 50.5 violation. On February 4, 2019, the DPO submitter filed an appeal of the RA decision to the NRC's Executive Director for Operations (EDO). After considering the DPO appeal, the EDO upheld the RA's decision.

The DPO case file can be found at ADAMS Accession No. ML19052A108.

**Office of Administration (ADM)
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Planning and Logistical Support for the NRC's Annual Regulatory Information Conference

On September 25, 2019, contract 31310019C0021 was awarded to the SD SOLUTIONS LLC in Falls Church, VA. The purpose of this contract is to provide logistical support for the NRC's Annual Regulatory Information Conference (RIC). The period of performance of this contract is from September 25, 2019, through September 24, 2020, with four 1-year option periods. The total potential value over the life of the award is \$3,734,968.70.

Language Translation, Interpretation and Multilingual Desktop Publishing Services

On September 27, 2019, contract 31310019C0022 was awarded to the F-CONCEPTS INC in, Vienna, VA. The purpose of this contract is to provide Language Translation, Interpretation and Multilingual Desktop Publishing Services. The period of performance of this contract is from September 30, 2019, through September 29, 2020, with four 1-year option periods. The total potential value over the life of the award is \$941,720.25.

Support for the Strategic Acquisition System

On September 30, 2019, contract 31310019C0024 was awarded to the UNISON SOFTWARE INC in, Dulles, VA. The purpose of this contract is to provide an integrated acquisition system solution, including the following but not limited to, hosting, hardware, software, licenses, maintenance, middleware, IT professional services, and help desk support. The period of performance of this contract is from September 30, 2019, through June 28, 2020, with three 1-year option periods. The total potential value over the life of the award is \$11,175,160.86.

Platts Electronic Newsletters Subscription

On September 24, 2019, firm fixed price contract 31310019C0031 was awarded to the PLATTS MCGRAW HILL FINANCIAL in, New York, NY. The purpose of this contract is to provide subscriptions to the Inside NRC, Nuclear Fuel, and Nucleonics Week newsletters. The period of performance of this contract is from December 21, 2019, through December 20, 2020, with two 1-year option periods. The total potential value over the life of the award is \$680,886.00.

Technical Assistance to Support NRC Review of NRC Form 396, "Certification of Medical Examination by Facility Licensee"

On September 25, 2019, contract 31310019C0033 was awarded to the INOMEDIC HEALTH APPLICATIONS in, Hampton, VA. The purpose of this contract is to provide technical assistance to support the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) review of NRC Form 396, "Certification of Medical Examination by Facility Licensee." The period of performance of this contract is from October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2024. The total potential value over the life of the award is \$559,498.28.

Support and Development of the Revision to Regulatory Guide 8.39 “Release of Patients Administered Radioactive Materials” and emergent regulatory guides development for medical licensing.

On September 30, 2019, contract 31310019C0036 was awarded to the RENAISSANCE CODE DEVELOPMENT LLC in, Corvallis, OR. The purpose of this contract is to assist the NRC with updating Regulatory Guide (RG) 8.39, specifically assist in updating the calculations, methodologies, and tables provided in RG 8.39 that are used to estimate radiation dose to members of the public, as well as to provide support in the development and revision of emergent regulatory guides for medical use licensing. The period of performance of this contract is from September 30, 2019, through September 29, 2022, with two 1-year option periods. The total potential value over the life of the award is \$703,750.00.

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